

SPAIN ACCEPTS.

We Get Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines Under Protest.

Also a Strong Island in the Caroline Group and the Right to Lay Cables on Any of These Islands or Any of the Ladrone.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—It is stated on the best authority that Spain accepts the \$20,000,000 for the cession of the Philippine islands, but under protest. The formal signing of the papers in which Spain yields to the American demands will occur on Monday. It is understood here that the Americans have proposed to the Spaniards a tariff for revenue only in the Philippines. Spain wanted special trade privileges. The proposition of the Americans means an open door for all in the Philippines, as it puts all nations on an equal footing so far as trade is concerned.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A Central News dispatch from Madrid says that Senor Montero Rios, chairman of the Spanish peace commission, has informed the government that the Americans include possession of the Sooloo Archipelago in their demands.

The Sooloo, or Sulu, Archipelago, which the Americans are said to have included in their demand on Spain, lies between Borneo and Mindanao, of the Philippine group. It would be of great strategic value in naval operations, and affords opportunities for guarding the southern islands of the Philippine group, that could not otherwise be had.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The result of the peace negotiations between Spain and the United States will probably be known Monday, when the time limit of the ultimatum delivered by the Americans expires.

Negotiations have been carried on through written communications on the part of both sides. Senor Rios has made a number of counter proposals to the Americans. These are said to be about as follows:

1. Spain will relinquish sovereignty over Cuba and cede Porto Rico and the other islands of the Spanish West Indies, the whole of the Ladrone islands and the whole of the Philippine islands for \$20,000,000.

2. Spain will cede a strong island in the Caroline group, give the United States the right to lay cables on any of those islands or any of the Ladrone.

3. Spain will relinquish sovereignty over Cuba, cede the Philippines, Porto Rico and other West Indian islands, and Guam as indemnity for the war expenses of the United States, and the losses to American citizens, and the two countries shall agree to submit to arbitration what debts and obligations of a colonial character ought to be assumed by the receiving country.

The old bluff of a possibility of a cessation of negotiations has also been conveyed, but it will be in vain. The prospects are that all of the counter proposals will be answered Saturday, as the American commissioners have received further instructions from Washington covering the new points. It is intimated that all of the proposals will be rejected, and that the Americans will stick to their demands as formulated in the ultimatum of last Monday.

The belief is general that the Spaniards will accept the situation with the best grace possible.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says:

The cabinet has concluded that the wisest policy is to accept the American terms, leaving to the Spanish commissioners full power to secure the best possible indemnity and to place on record, if the American commissioners will permit, a protest against the American interpretation of the protocol as affecting the Philippines and against the peace conditions generally.

"The decision of the cabinet is approved in political and financial circles. I understand however, that the deliberations of the ministers were very protracted. Senor Sagasta, Duke Almodovar de Rio and Senor Puigeciver had great difficulty in inducing some of their colleagues to accept the small indemnity."

The Storm at Cape May.

CAPE MAY, N. J., Nov. 28.—The northwest snowstorm which has prevailed along the coast since Saturday, accompanied by a wind blowing at the rate of about 40 miles an hour, did no damage on the beach front, but on the Delaware bay shore destroyed a large number of fish pounds and piers. The telephone, telegraph, electric light and fire alarm wires are down and Sunday night the town streets were in darkness.

A Tragedy in Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 26.—In North Little Rock Friday morning M. B. Lane, a section foreman, while in a drunken frenzy emptied both barrels of a gun loaded with buckshot into his wife's face, killing her instantly. The woman's son, V. N. Wright, seized the gun and broke it over the murderer's head, crushing the skull. The Lanes came from Evansville two years ago.

A duel was fought in Paris Sunday between Maxime Dreyfus and M. Lepic, a journalist. Neither was injured.

A BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK.

It Caused Widespread Destruction and Death by Its Icy Breath—Many Vessels Sank.

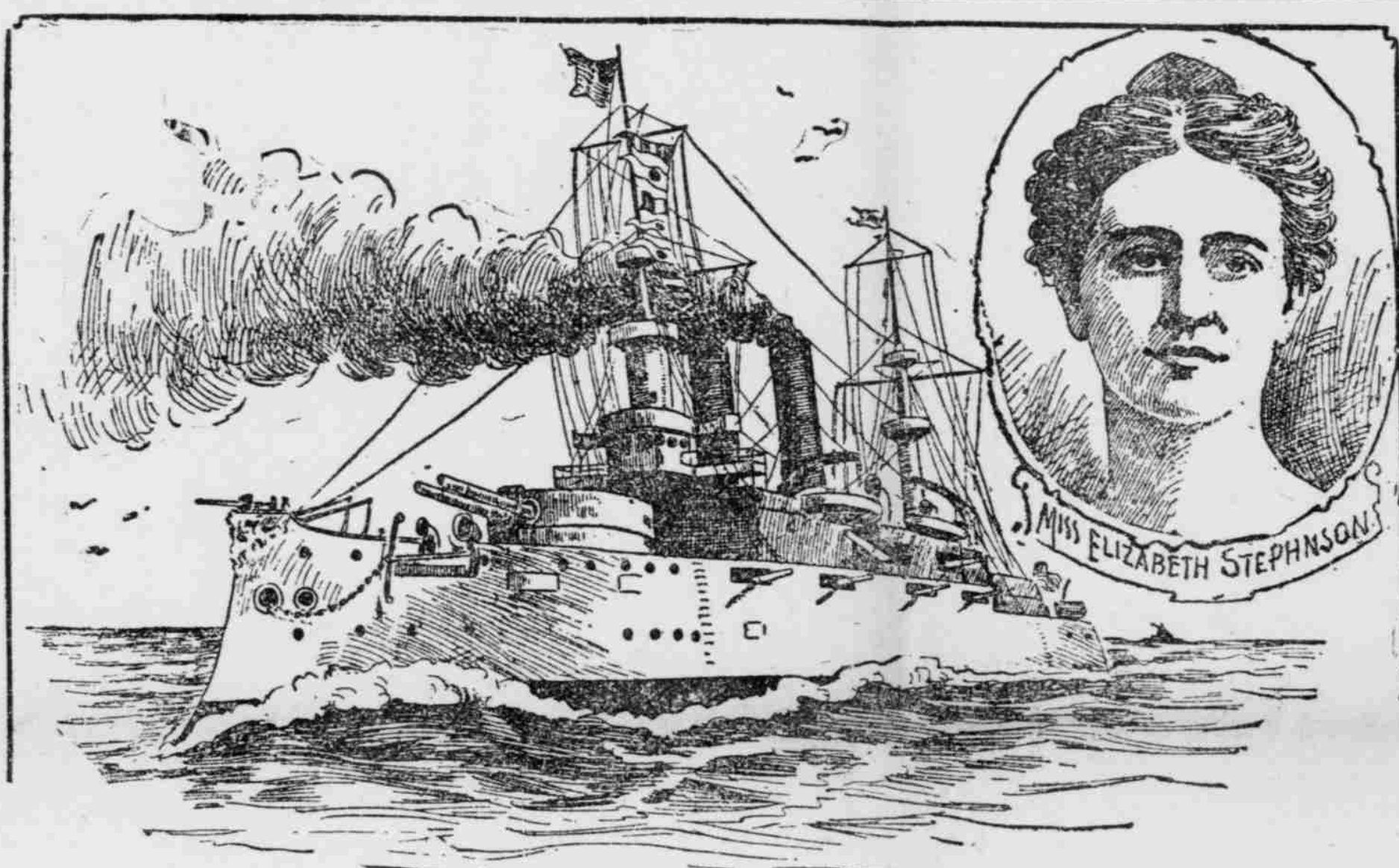
NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—A storm began here with a soft, sleety snow on Saturday noon, and increased as the day wore on, with heavier snowfall. The wind blew a gale at midnight.

There was a slight abatement of the wind Sunday morning but the snow still fell and drifted high and the temperature dropped rapidly. At 10 o'clock there was a breaking away in the west, and finally the storm ceased altogether and the severest blizzard since the memorable one of March, 1888, came to an end. The wind blew at the rate of 50 to 60 miles an hour during the height of the storm.

With the brightening of the skies in this city Sunday morning came an increase in the velocity of the wind and the loose dry snow was sent swirling and eddying everywhere. Nearly a foot of snow had fallen, but in places it had drifted to four and five feet.

The terrific blow of Saturday night did much damage to the small shipping in New York harbor. It is reported Sunday night that several tugboats belonging to the Kingston Towing Co., together with a large number of canalboats, were sunk up the river by the force of the gale. The shores of the Hudson are littered with wreckage.

There were a number of casualties, including several deaths from exposure. John Martin was found in the park at Tenth street and Avenue B and taken to Bellevue hospital. Both his legs and hands were badly frozen. He had lain down on a bench to die, he said. He had had nothing to eat for several days.



UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP WISCONSIN.

An unknown woman was found unconscious in a snow drift at 78th street and Avenue A. She was removed to the Presbyterian hospital, where her condition was said to be serious. An aged German, Frank Schneider, of Dutch Kills, Long Island city, was found late Saturday night at 70th street and Second avenue. He was lying on a snow bank almost unconscious and was transferred to the Bellevue hospital. An unknown man discovered in a basement on the Boverly, was removed to Hudson street hospital, died there from alcoholism and exposure. A policeman rescued Dennis Quinn, a letter carrier, who had fallen helpless in the snow early Sunday morning, badly frozen.

In Jersey City the body of Rosanna Cunningham was found on the sidewalk in Van Vorst street. Her skull was fractured. The body was almost covered with snow. It is believed she received her injuries from a fall.

At 7 a. m. a policeman found Charles Schopp unconscious in the snow in Jersey City. Before he could be carried into a house Schopp died. He had started for a butcher shop where he was employed, and his death is attributed to exposure and exhaustion from his struggle through the blinding storm. George Beck and William Allen were also found in Jersey City by the police badly frozen. The former had been drinking and was unconscious and is likely to die.

Julius Hoosberg, a homeless man, who sought shelter in a barn at Stapleton, Staten Island, was found frozen Sunday morning and died shortly afterward.

Unknown Man Killed.

MARION, Ind., Nov. 28.—The east-bound Pan-Handle train struck and killed an unknown man. There was nothing in his clothes to prove identification.

Schooner Sank and Crew Missing.

GREEN BAY, Wis., Nov. 28.—The schooner Idea lies near Long Tail Point Light, sunk in about ten feet of water. Her bow is just out, and it is supposed that she is a complete wreck. The crew of the vessel is missing, and it is feared they went down with her.

Minister Drops Dead.

ASHTABULA, O., Nov. 28.—Rev. N. W. Jones, a retired Methodist minister of Conneaut, dropped dead Saturday while purchasing a ticket at the railroad station in that town.

THE WISCONSIN.

Huge War Vessel Launched at Union Iron Works, San Francisco.

Miss Elizabeth Stephenson, Daughter of Ex-Congressman Stephenson, of Marinette, Wis., the Sponsor—Description of the War Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—The big battle ship Wisconsin was successfully launched from the ship yard of the Union Iron works Saturday in the presence of many thousand of spectators.

Miss Elizabeth Stephenson, daughter of ex-Congressman Stephenson, of Marinette, Wis., christened the huge leviathan as she started from the ways, dashing over her bows a bottle of champagne and calling out, in perfectly distinct tones:

"I christen thee Wisconsin."

As soon as the great mass of steel was seen to move the thousands who thronged the yards and neighboring points of vantage burst into enthusiastic cheering, while bells, whistles and steam sirens throughout the city clamored and shriek in concert.

Following is a description of the vessel:

Length, on load water line, 388 feet; beam extreme, 72 feet 2½ inches; draft on normal displacement of 11,235 tons, 22 feet 6 inches; maximum displacement, all ammunition and stores on board, 12,235 tons; maximum indicated horse power (estimated), 10,000; probable speed, 16½ knots. Normal coal supply, 800 tons; coal supply, loose storage, 1,500 tons; full bunker capacity, 1,400 to 1,500 tons. Complement of officers, 49; seamen, marines, etc., 449.

The main battery will consist of four 13-inch breech loading rifles in Hieborn balanced turrets, oval in shape, and placed in the center line of the vessel, and 11 6-inch rapid fire guns. The secondary battery will consist of 16 6-

WORST STORM SINCE 1888.

A Violent Blizzard Plays Havoc Throughout Pennsylvania—A Heavy Fall of Snow.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 28.—The blizzard which came out of the west reached this city at 11 o'clock Saturday morning and raged furiously until 1 o'clock Sunday morning. Unexpected as it was violent, it wrought great havoc not only here but throughout the entire state. In those 14 hours the snow fall reached a depth of over nine inches and the wind a velocity of 45 miles an hour. These figures are unprecedented in the November records of the local weather bureau, and the officials there say that the storm in general was the worst since the memorable blizzard of 1888.

NEW MAYOR FOR SANTIAGO.

Senor Bacardi, an Old Resident, Appointed—His Clerical Force Are All Cubans Who Served in the Late War.

SANTIAGO, Nov. 26.—Gen. Wood, at his own request, Friday relieved Maj. McLeary of his mayoralty duties. He returns to his military post.

In the opinion of Gen. Wood it is preferable to appoint to the mayoralty a civilian acceptable to the Cubans, and he has appointed as Maj. McLeary's successor Senor Bacardi, an old resident. He is anxious to give the mayor as much authority as is compatible with military jurisdiction. The new mayor will conform to Gen. Wood's ideas, which are to give the Cubans every opportunity to show themselves capable of self-government.

The first official act of Mayor Bacardi was to discharge the entire clerical force in the mayor's office and employ

AN ADMIRER OF WOMEN.

A Matrimonial Repeater Who Got More Enamored with Each Subsequent Wife.

I was riding along the road leading across Hurricane gap, in the Pine mountain range, thinking of the peculiar people who lived in these fastnesses, when I was startled by a voice up the hillside calling to me to come up and give somebody a lift. I had no idea who owned the voice, but whoever it was was in trouble, and I responded and found a man of 60 or more caught by the foot under a fallen tree and unable to get away. He wasn't hurt, and I soon had him on his feet, and he insisted on my stopping further down the mountain and taking dinner with him. He lived in a well-kept cabin with his daughter, and after dinner we sat in the shade of a tree in the yard and he told me about himself.

"Air you married?" he asked, after he told me he was a widower.

"No, but I hope to be some day," I answered, quite sincerely.

"You ought to be every man ought to be; a man that ain't a showin' a right feelin' to'rds the Lord's done for him, thar ain't nothin' on the face uv God's green earth that is a patchin' to a woman, I don't keer what kind she is."

"You're hale and hearty yet," I said, "and I don't see why you don't take some of your own advice."

"Don't crowd the mourners, mister," he said, waving his hand as if warding off my attack. "Don't you crowd the mourners. I'm figgerin' on severin' this very minute, and I ain't quite shore yet which one to pick. I've been married four times, and every time my notion uv women has got so much higher that I'll be derned if I don't kinder look forrard to losin' a wife jist fer the satisfaction uv gittin' another one."

The idea was so entirely new that I was overcome by it.—Washington Star.

Meanness Personified.

"Did I understand you to say that dress you admired so much to-day was a dream?" inquired Mr. Smolchart.

"Yes," answered his wife hopefully.

"Well," he proceeded very kindly, "you keep your mind on it when you are to sleep to-night and maybe you will dream one of your own."—Washington Star.

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